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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 1769

KINSHASA PASS BUKAVU

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC (SMUTS, SMITH, HUNTER)

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: INTERMEDIARIES

REF: KINSHASA 4413

1. IN TALK WITH MACFARLANE OVER RJSIO THIS MORNING (MAY 29)
ASKED IF HE KNEW EITHER CATARZI OR NSENGIYUMVA (REFTEL).
MACFARLANE SAID HE DID NOT RPT NOT KNOW EITHER ONE.

2. AMCONSUL LOVING IN BUKAVU WAS MONITORING OUR TALK
WITH MACFARLANE. ASKED IF LOVING KNEW CATARZI OR NSENGIYUMVA.
LOVING SAID HAD MET CATARZI, BUT DID NOT KNOW HIM WELL.
CATARZI HAD BEEN CAPTURED AND HELD IN 1964-65 BY REBELS AT
THAT TIME. LOVING THOUGHT CATARZI NOT RPT NOT NOW IN TOUCH
WITH REBELS. NSENGIYUMVA IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO
CONSULATE BUKAVU. LOVING HESITANT TO GIVE JUDGMENT
ON SUITABLENESS CATARZI AND NSENGIYUMVA BECAUSE HE HAD NOT YET
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SEEN OR BEEN BRIEFED ON KINSHASA 4413. SUGGEST WHEN KINSHASA

QUERIES BUKAVU THIS MATTER MIGHT ASK LOVING IF HE HAS ANY THOUGHTS ON WHO ELSE IN HIS AREA MIGHT BE SUITABLE TO SERVE AS INTERMEDIARY.

3. LUCIUS-MACFARLANE MAY 28 REPORT SAFE HAND CARRIED BY MSG NCOIC FROM KIGOMA TO DAR YESTERDAY IS PARTICULARLY TIMELY THIS SUBJECT. PERTINENT PARAS FOLLOW:

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IN LOOKING OVER THE POSSIBLE OPTIONS WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE IN TRYING TO REACH THE KIDNAPPERS TO NEGOTIATE, THE FOLLOWING MIGHT BE WORTH PURSUING -- ASSUMING THAT OTHERS HAVE NOT TAKEN IT UNDER CONSIDERATION.

SINCE WE HAVE BEEN HERE, WE HAVE RECEIVED TWO SUGGESTIONS POINTING TO THE UTILIZATION OF THE ITALIAN MISSIONARY NETWORK WHICH IS HEADQUARTERED AT UVIRA -- THE FIRST TOWN INSIDE ZAIRE AS ONE TRAVELS FROM BUJUMBURA -- AS A MEANS TO OPEN COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE HOLDING THE THREE STUDENTS. SPECIFICALLY, WE SUGGEST THAT A MEMBER OF THE EMBASSY IN BUJUMBURA DRIVE OVER ZB UVIRA AND TALK WITH PADRE ALDO VAGNI, ECONOMAT GENERAL, DIOCESE D'UVIRA (B.P. 376, BUKAVU). AS LEW RECALLS (AND OTHERS CONFIRM) THIS GROUP OF RC MISSIONARIES HAVE MISSION STATIONS SCATTERED ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE OF LAKE TANGANYIKA FROM UVIRA SOUTH. THE SOUTHERN-MOST MISSIONS ARE AT FIZI AND BARAKA -- TOWNS TO THE NORTH OF THE AREA WHERE WE UNDERSTAND THE THREE PRISONERS ARE BEING HELD. NEVERTHELESS, IT IS HELD HERE THAT THESE MISSIONS HAVE CONTACTS IN THE AREA OF OUR INTEREST AND THEY MIGHT PROVE TO BE THE SAFEST AVENUE TO USE WHEN APPROACHING THOSE WE WISH TO NEGOTIATE WITH INSIDE THE TERRITORY HELD BY THE REBELS. UNQTE
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